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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Response to Restriction Requirement in 15 pages.
- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2005, Applicant submits the following:

Amendments to the Claims, which are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper,

Interview Summary, which begins on page 14 of this paper, and Remarks, which begin on page 15 of this paper.